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Mr. Robert H. Thayer
Special Assistant to the Secretary
for the Coordination of International
Educational and Cultural Relations
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Bob:

Thank you for letting me know of
[redacted] help at the Eleventh
General Conference of UNESCO. I am pleased
to know that [redacted] enjoyed your useful
work together.

I am grateful for your kind words
about my continuing in my present post.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE
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WASHINGTON

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Dear Allen:

The attached letter is self-explanatory and carries with it my own very sincere personal thanks.

I was so delighted when we were in Paris to hear the good news of your reappointment. More power to you and the future of the U.S.A., in my opinion, is the more secure as a result.

Virginia and I send you and Clover our very best wishes for the New Year.

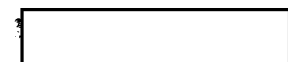
Sincerely yours,

Robert H. Thayer
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The Honorable
Allen W. Dulles,
Director of Central Intelligence.

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The Eleventh General Conference of UNESCO, I believe, will long remain one of the most memorable in its history. Not only was there the historic participation for the first time of the many new African nations, there was also the heartening evidence of how successfully the Conference was able to carry forward its heavily increased responsibilities.

That the United States could achieve its important objectives at the Conference was due in large measure to the enthusiasm and devotion with which you and your colleagues on the Delegation fulfilled your responsibilities. As Chairman of the Delegation and on behalf of the United States Government I want to express sincere thanks for the fine contribution you made to our combined effort. I am particularly appreciative of the detailed attention you gave to the various program matters pertaining to cultural activities including the very significant effort being made to safeguard the Nubia monuments.

I am indeed grateful that you were willing to devote so much of your time and energy to the Delegation's activities at no little cost to your personal interests and duties. I trust, however, that the importance of UNESCO's work, especially in the newly developing areas of the world will give you a lasting sense of satisfaction in your service with the Delegation.

Again my thanks for your helpfulness and best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Robert A. Taft

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